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20 February 2007

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment Committee held in the Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Tuesday, 20 February 2007 at 9.30 am

Present

Councillors Turver (Chairman), Baber, Buchanan, Evans, Laidlaw, and McDavitt.

Officers Present

Corry, Cross, McLea, Markland, Mitchell, Phang, Pryce, Reay, Skene, Strange, Taylor, Thawley, Tod, van Schalkwyk, Waddy, and Woods.

Public Business

Procedural Items

E 227 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Laidlaw)

That the Committee:

Confirms the apology for absence from Councillor Shields and Mr Rikihana, and for absence during part of the meeting from Councillor Buchanan.

E 228 **Public Participation**

No members of the public wished to participate in the meeting.

E 229 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved (Cr Turver/Cr Laidlaw)

That the Committee:

Confirms the Minutes of the meeting held on 21 November 2006, Report 07.02.

Harbour Matters

There were no Harbour matters for consideration.

Civil Defence Matters

There were no Civil Defence matters for consideration.

Environmental Matters

Matters for Information

E 230 **Divisional Manager's Report**

Tabled

Environmental Regulation Annual Compliance Summary 2005-06. Greater Wellington Regional Council.

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Resolved (Cr Laidlaw/Cr Buchanan)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report*
2. *Notes the contents.*

Resolved (Cr Turver/Cr Laidlaw)

That the Committee:

Records its deep appreciation for the knowledge and skills brought to his position by Mr John Holmes during his time with the Council.

Noted

Officers were asked to:

- Draft a letter to the Minister of Education, on behalf of the Chairman of the Environment Committee, outlining the Committee's views on the design of school curricula containing the study of environmental issues.
- Report to the Committee at its next meeting on progress in relation to the Sustainable Water Programme of Action.
- Circulate information to Committee members on relevant Environment Court hearings.

E 231 **Regional Policy Statement Review**

Tabled

Regional Policy Statement Review newsletter no 1; February 2007. Greater Wellington Regional Council.

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Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Baber)

That the Committee:

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Noted

Officers were asked to ensure that processes around ongoing work in relation to the development of the Regional Land Transport Strategy and the Regional Policy Statement are well co-ordinated.

E 232 **Stormwater Action Plan Update**

Howard Markland, Special Project Co-ordinator, gave a *Powerpoint* presentation.

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Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Baber)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report*
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E 233

Limited Delegation of Enforcement Powers – Pilot Trial with the Hutt City Council

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Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Evans)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report*
2. *Notes the contents.*

E 234

Implementation of the National Environmental Standards for Air Quality

Tamsin Mitchell, Air Quality Scientist, gave a *Powerpoint* presentation.

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Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Baber)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report*
2. *Notes the contents.*

E 235 **Wellington Regional Environment Agency Update**

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Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Laidlaw)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report*
2. *Notes the contents.*

E 236 **Pollution Control Annual Report for 2005-2006**

Tabled

Pollution control annual report 2005-2006. Greater Wellington Regional Council.

Report 07.30

File: ENV/17/02/01

Resolved

(Cr Baber/Cr Evans)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report*
2. *Notes the contents.*

E 237 **Regional Council Input into City and District Council Planning**

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File: X/26/01/01

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr McDavitt)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report*
2. *Notes the contents.*

E 238 **Decisions on Non-notified Resource Consent Applications**

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Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Evans)

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report*
- 2. Notes the contents.*

E 239 **Pollution Control Report for the Period 27 October 2006 to 19 January 2007**

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Resolved

(Cr Baber/Cr Buchanan)

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report*
- 2. Notes the contents.*

Other Matters

E 240 **Questions**

Councillor Laidlaw asked about the timing of this years Resource Management Law conference. Officers undertook to keep committee members informed.

E 241 **General**

There were no matters of general business.

The meeting was adjourned between 10.33am and 10.51am for morning tea, and closed at 11.55am. Councillor Buchanan was absent from the meeting between 10.51am and 11.43am.

CR C R TURVER
Chairman

Date: